

SENATE CHAMBER
AUSTIN, TEXAS, Friday, April 21, 1871. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment; President Campbell presiding.

Roll called; quorum present.

Absent—excused—Senators Baker, Bowers and Flanagan.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Senator Ruby, the reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Pyle, Senator Cole was excused from attendance for to-day and to-morrow on account of sickness.

The following communication was read:

AUSTIN, April 21, 1871.

Hon. DON CAMPBELL,

President of the Senate of the State of Texas:

SIR: We have the honor to inform you, and through you the Senate of the State of Texas, that your honorable body has been invited by the fire department of this city, to participate in their annual celebration of the anniversary of the battle of San Jacinto, to take place at 2 o'clock this evening. The procession will form at Buas Hall and move up the Avenue to the State Capitol.

We have the honor to be

Your most obedient servants,

JOS. A. NAGLE,

D. M. WILSON,

Committee.

On motion of Senator Gaines, the communication was received and invitation accepted.

Under direction of the President the Secretary returned to the House the following House bills passed by the Senate:

House bill No. 379, "An act to incorporate the Waco Insurance Company."

House bill No. 82, "An act for the relief of T. F. Steudebach, late sheriff of Kendall county."

House bill No. 153, "An act to provide for the obtaining and transcribing of the several acts or charters founding the towns of Reynosa, Camargo, Mier and Guerrero, in the Republic of Mexico, and of Laredo, in Texas, and making an appropriation for the same."

Also, with amendments,

House bill No. 217, "An act to incorporate the town of Dangerfield, in Titus county."

House bill No. 518, "An act to incorporate the town of Ledbetter, county of Fayette."

House bill No. 216, "An act to incorporate the town of Mount Pleasant, in Titus county."

Also the following bills without amendments :

House bill No. 277, "An act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Agricultural, Stock Raising and Industrial Association of Western Texas,' approved July 8, 1870."

House bill No. 432, "An act to amend sections one and four of 'an act to define, establish and mark the boundaries of the counties of Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, Zapata, Webb, Encinal, Duval and Nueces,' passed April 20, 1870."

House bill No. 469, "An act to incorporate the Galveston Hibernian Society."

House bill No. 494, "An act to incorporate the Galveston Bank and Trust Company."

Also, returning the following enrolled House bills, signed by the President, April 20, 1871 :

House bill No. 553, to be entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Tyler, and to provide for the administration of its municipal affairs."

Also, No. 137, to be entitled "An act to incorporate the town of Palestine, in the county of Anderson."

On motion of Senator Fountain, the vote of yesterday, by which House bill No. 263, "An act to organize and incorporate the Galveston, Jefferson and St. Louis Railroad Company," was passed was reconsidered.

Senator Fountain moved that the vote of yesterday, by which the amendment to section four of the bill was adopted, be reconsidered. Carried.

Senator Fountain withdrew the amendment to section four, and on further motion House bill No 263 passed.

By leave, Senator Shannon introduced a bill (Senate bill No. 369) to be entitled "An act to facilitate the correcting of surveys and the issuance of patents to locations of land." Read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Fountain moved that the vote of yesterday by which the following resolution was adopted be reconsidered :

WHEREAS, There is a clerical error in the report of the Committee of Conference on Senate bill No. 94, entitled "An act to give effect to the several provisions of the Constitution concerning taxes," on page two, line fourteen, paragraph eight of said report, by the insertion, through clerical mistake, after the word "the," in said fourteenth line, of the words "House recede from," when it was the

agreement of said committee that the words "Senate concur in" were the words to be used, being the words expressing what the committee had agreed upon; therefore,

Resolved, That said clerical error be corrected, and the words, after the word "the," fourteenth line of second page of report, "~~House recede from~~" be stricken out, and the words "Senate concur in" be inserted in their stead.

Motion carried.

Senator Pickett then withdrew the resolution.

By leave, Senator Bell introduced a bill (Senate bill No. 870) "An act to amend 'an act to incorporate the Western Narrow Gauge Railway Company,' approved August 4, 1870." Read first time and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senator Gaines moved that the Senate adjourn to 10 o'clock A. M., Monday. Yeas and nays called for and motion lost by the following vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Evans, Gaines, Mills, Saylor—5.

Nays—Bell, Dohoney, Douglass, Ford, Fountain, Hall, Hertzberg, Hillebrand, Latimer, Parsons, Pettit, Pickett, Pyle, Rawson, Ruby, Shannon, Tendick—17.

Senator Hall moved that the Senate adjourn to 10 o'clock A. M., to-morrow. Yeas and nays called for and motion carried by the following vote:

Yeas—Mr. President, Dohoney, Douglass, Evans, Ford, Fountain, Gaines, Hall, Latimer, Mills, Parsons, Pettit, Pickett, Rawson, Shannon—15.

Nays—Bell, Hertzberg, Hillebrand, Pyle, Ruby, Saylor, Tendick—7.

So the Senate at 10:15 A. M., adjourned to 10 A. M. to-morrow.
